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CARBON BLACK WITH SILICA DOMAINS ) Examiner:  
ON ITS SURFACE PREPARED BY )  
EXTENDED REACTIVE MIXING )  
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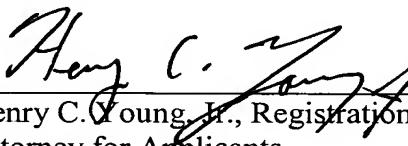
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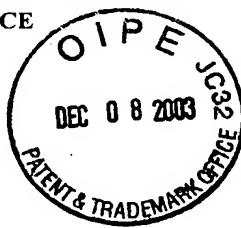
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